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Scott / George / Kirby,

Just wanted to say thanks for MI DEQ lab tour today and a very productive meeting. Today's meeting was a considerable step forward in bringing people together for the best interests of the Flint residents.

Also, thanks to Scott Hiipakka for facilitating this meeting and reaching out to me.

The most important thing is that the collaborative effort to help them and ensure their water is safe. I have made it clear to other affected Flint residents that the State of MI and the EPA cares very much about the well being of Flint residents and are doing everything in their power to get answers and find solutions.

I spoke with Mark Durno (copied on this e-mail) and updated him on our meeting. As I will be speaking with Mark next week at the EPA Region 5 roundtable meeting, I have attached the agenda for next week's meeting in Minneapolis. Also, per our meeting I will be following up separately with George and include Mark in our collaboration moving forward – information sharing and joint/duplicate testing as the weather gets warmer.

Based on our discussion about bacteria I have found in Flint residents' water (versus multiple non-Flint cities) and feedback from microbiologists telling me it looks like a hospital profile, I mentioned to Mark about the possibility of and/or ruling out potential back flow preventer failure at or around Hospitals – Mark is going to look into this too.

Finally, prior to today's meeting the NRDC has reached out to me about past and future testing and I have conveyed the same information as I have to the EPA and the State of MI today – which includes that the water in the distribution has improved and it may be that the Flint river water switch possibly and likely is not the entire reason for the complicated issues in Flint (as we discussed old and oversized distribution system).

Thanks and have a good weekend.

Best Regards,

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